Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 16 Mar 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 17 Mar 2024

Forecast Issued on Saturday 16 Mar 2024 at 01:47

Confidence: High confidence for variable conditions through the period. Lower confidence in cloud and rain detail Sunday and from Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 16 Mar 2024: A dry start. Patchy light rain at times from mid-morning. Rain to turn persistent and heavy for a time in the evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 16 Mar 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
<05%	20%	40%	60%	80%	70%

Forecast for Saturday 16 Mar 2024

Weather: A dry start to the day with some sunny spells. Cloud will soon thicken ahead of an area of rain that will spread northeast into the west of the park by mid-morning. Rain will be generally light and sometimes patchy or drizzly in the early afternoon. However, the rain is likely to turn persistent and heavy for a time late afternoon and evening. Winds strengthening through the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 80% lowering to 20% by early afternoon as rain arrives.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud bases largely above tops to start, especially further east. Cloud gradually spreading east during the morning and lowering becoming broken from midday with layers around 400m. Bases lowering across the park by late afternoon. Visibility will be good to start but falling moderate in light rain and poor or very poor in any drizzle or heavier downpours. Visibility will be better towards eastern hills for much of the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	8/10 S	15/20 SE	19/25 S	19/25 S	16/23 S	20/27 S	19/26 S
300	3/5 SE	5/12 SE	8/17 SE	12/26 S	10/22 S	12/25 S	12/24 S
Valley	2/3 E	2/5 SE	5/12 SE	8/19 S	9/22 S	8/21 S	10/24 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	4/1	4/0	5/0	6/2	7/4	8/4	8/4
300	3/2	6/4	7/5	8/5	9/7	10/7	10/7
Valley	2/1	6/5	8/6	9/7	10/8	10/8	10/8
Freezing Level*	1100m	1500m	2000m	2000m	2100m	2000m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Winds freshening during the afternoon, posing an increasing risk of wind chill later as weather conditions deteriorate. Continuous rain through the afternoon leading to wet or slippery surfaces.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Fri 15 Mar 2024	21.8mm	29.2mm	65mm

Forecast for Sunday 17 Mar 2024

Weather: Heavier rain will run eastward across the park during the early hours before clearing around dawn. Hang back of cloud giving some drizzly conditions until mid-morning. Brighter by the afternoon with some breaks to sunny spells likely, especially around eastern hills. A few showers then expected to develop, but some areas may remain dry.

Maximum wind: Southwest 20-25mph with gusts to 30-35mph, easing 10-15mph later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 20% improving to 80% mid-morning as rain and drizzle clears eastward.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud likely shrouding most slopes above around 300m initially, perhaps affecting lower slopes in the south and west with overcast layers below 200m. Cloud bases improving as rain and drizzle clears to the east. Bases then expected to remain largely above 800m, although bases in showers could briefly shroud highest routes. Visibility will be moderate to poor in early rain and drizzle, becoming good or very good in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 8 Celsius rising to 13 Celsius later.
At 600m: Plus 7 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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